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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

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FOR: DRIVING CIRCUIT FOR A MAGNETIC HEAD AND  
MAGNETIC RECORDING APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 8 sheets of ☐ formal ☐ informal drawings.
- ☒ A Notice of Priority to claim priority date of February 7, 2001.
- ☐ Assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form 1449.
- ☐ Applicant requests non-publication.
- ☐ Applicant is a small entity.
- ☒ An Unexecuted Declaration

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Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
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**REQUEST FOR PRIORITY  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119  
AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority date of February 7, 2001, the filing date of the corresponding Japanese patent application 2001-030383.

The certified copy of corresponding Japanese patent application 2001-030383 will be submitted as soon as received from Applicant. Acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copy is respectfully requested in due course.

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